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AMENDMENT "B"  
(In Response to Paper No. 8)

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
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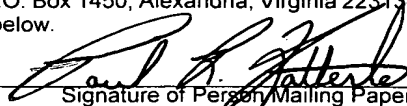
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment "B" is filed in response to the Office action dated September 24, 2003. The three month period for responding to the Office action expires on December 24, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

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